

Lake County 4-H Newsletter!

February 10 Newsletter!



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Dog Classes Starting in March!

- 1.) Raffle announced! See page 3 for details
- 2.) Council Meeting is set to February 2nd, 6pm.
- 3.) Pendleton Workshop Full- Sign up in our potential overflow class in March
- 4.) Fair dates announced! <u>July 17th-25th</u>.
- 5.) Quality Assurance Announced! March 18th from 5:00pm-8:00pm
- 6.) New Family Orientation for 4-H! February 18th at 6:00pm here at Lake County Extension.

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Agenda/upcoming Items for our 4H Clubs

(Read this portion at your club meetings Online)

- 1.) **Quality Assurance Announced!** March 18th, from 5:00pm-8:00pm. This is required for all first year livestock market seniors, and for all first year livestock market 4-H'ers. Fun will be had and this is a great chance to learn about how to make quality meats from your future ranch!
- 2.) We are kicking off our raffle! See Page 4 for details. Drawing will be April 19th at 5:30pm and on Facebook live.
- 3.) Mini Library Follow Up- We now have two completed libraries going up. How is your club's library? If you haven't received one, email/contact Bret at breton.homewood@montana.edu to let him know you are ready for yours today!
- 4.) Wear your green for St. Patrick's Day! Open to all 4-H! We will be hosting a float for the St. Patties day parade. We will be meeting March 17th, behind the St. Luke's Hospital at 5:00pm.
- 5.) Pendelton Workshop is now full. Please call and sign up on our overflow list and we may schedule you for a class in March.
- <u>6.) Yee Haw it's a Mardi Gras 4-H Fair announced for the week of July 17th-25th. Events and fair items will be determined later.</u>
- 7.) Cloverbud meeting scheduled for March 4, at 6pm here at Lake County Extension.
- 8.) Dog Class announced! Class Begins March 4th at 6:30 here at the Arena Barn in Ronan.
- 9.) New to 4-H, or want a refresher? Come to our "All About 4-H!" On February 18th, 6-7:30pm!









Attention Newer 4-H Families (and anyone needing a refresher in 4-H)

MSU Lake County Extension will host an "All About 4-H" program Thursday, Feb 18th, at 6:00 p.m. Extension staff along with veteran 4 -H leaders from around the county will explain the Lake County 4-H program in-depth. The goal of this program is to help 4-H members and families have the very best 4-H experience possible. Topics include, what is required to be in 4-H, how to navigate records and manuals, an overview of what 4-H programs and opportunities are available, how to maximize your club experience, and how to enter the Lake County Fair. A resident expert will be on hand to answer any questions you may have about Lake County 4-H. A light dinner will be provided; please RSVP the Extension Office at 676-4271.

Please RSVP by February 15th
Email or call us at:
lake1@montana.edu
676-4271

2021 4-H Raffle

-Do Your Part!-

Raffle tickets are currently being printed. They will then be distributed to club leadership, who will then give you the books. We encourage everyone to do their part and sell the tickets. (4-H Lake County wants one book of 10 tickets sold per family.) Ticket price will be \$10 each. If you sell out of your tickets, request a book refill from your club leaders, or other families who are unable to sell all of their tickets.

Turn in the filled out stubs and money to Club leadership by the early April Club meeting. Club Leadership will get the stubs and raised money to Extension by the 14th of April.

Drawing will be held: Monday April 19th, 5:30pm

Top three club sales will win: \$70 towards a party or club function

Top three individual sales will receive: 1st place: \$50 gift card to Murdochs 2nd place: \$35 gift card to Cenex

3rd place: \$25 gift card to Westland Seed



How do all 4-H'ers benefit from this Raffle?

This question pops up from time to time, and it may be asked of you from people who buy our tickets. Where does the money go?

Here is a small list of items we use these funds for:

- 1.) Workshops— sewing classes, baking, wood working, lamp building, STEM, and added interests
- 2.) Project day— Materials, food, items to give our 4-H'ers exposer to many different topics
- 3.) Events— Family prom, Achievement day, ceremonies, and 4-H related programming
- 4.) Trips for 4-H'ers— Congress, multicounty camp, State and National trips, International trips
- 5.) Volunteer screening for our trainers and leaders. Council pays for background checks and funds leaders to teach programming like dog, cat, small animal, horse, shooting sports, and more.
- 6.) Community Center rental fees. 4-H pays to have the space we use for all events in Lake County.
- 7.) 4-H foundations, 4-H related office supplies
- 8.) Senior Scholarships— currently set at up to \$2000 given out per year to our graduating seniors who qualify, compete, and apply for it
- 9.) Fair awards— Rosettes, and awards for our competitive 4-H'ers who win at fair
- 10.) Program sustainability— We are able to function and do all these things because we have the money in our accounts. Keeping us funded every year is vital for our 4-H mission to educate and promote the positive development of our youth in Lake County.

Mountain-Made Pendleton™ Picnic Blankets!

-Weekend Series Workshop-February 20th, 9am-noon -Limit of 6-Cost: \$15

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Special Workshop announcement! We have secured some Pendleton, "made in Oregon," wool to assemble ourselves some picnic blankets just in time for spring! Each 4-H'er will assemble a 3' X 5' roll up blanket that will have a water-resistant bottom on it. Ready to throw in your saddle bag, backpack, or your parents car— these blankets will be an essential item with your camping/hiking/horsebackin' expedition into the Missions. Class will run about 3-4 hours and we will learn to sew basic quilting. Class will be aimed at 4-H'ers who are beginners, but who can use a sewing machine.

We will then wrap up the class with a real picnic in the community center with some snacks!





Dog Classes

Our Dog program will resume starting **March 4th at 6:30pm** here at the arena barn. Program will proceed to May then the class will turn to agility classes at Dirty Dogs Sports. What fun!







Attention Sheep Projects Members:

All sheep shown at the Lake County Fair must have a liftable tail.













Cloverbud's Page



Calling all Cloverbuds!!!

Join us on March 13, 2021 from 10 a.m. to noon for intergalactic loads of fun while we reach for the stars! Learn how to make glow in the dark slime, paint with a straw, solve a mystery and make stellar music makers! Games, glow in the dark face painting and lunch will be included!

A \$2.00 fee per child, RSVP required. Register today by contacting the Extension Office at 676-4271 or lake1@montana.edu

Cloverbuds are encouraged to bring a friend to explore the galaxy with!









Scholarships!

Announcing Scholarships for our 4-H Seniors!

The Lake County Scholarship committee will reconvene and we will be announcing our scholarships for the upcoming year shortly. In the meantime, check out the Montana State 4 -H Scholarship page for details about ones you can apply to today! (Link Below)

http://www.montana4h.org/programs/grants/scholarships.html







Quality Assurance

Thursday, March 18th -5:00pm to 8:00pm-

Required for all first year market livestock 4-H'ers and all first year seniors in market livestock. We will start at 5 and have some food until 5:30. After that we will have a lot of fun activities to learn about how to produce quality meats and take care of your livestock.

If you aren't sure about needing to attend, please reach out to us at lake1@montana.edu and we will let you know!





Fair Theme Winner!

Congratulations to the Mission Valley Ranch Hands for their winning fair theme for 2021:

Yee Haw It's a Mardi Graw!







Special Awards Committee

Special awards will meet on the **2nd of March** at 6pm here at Extension to continue work on how special awards will be handled in the future.

Open to all 4-H families, we welcome your input!

Mini Library Instructions



For now we request that clubs:

- *Find a location, obtain permissions and bury the 4x4 stand assembly (We will provide your club with that shortly.)
- *(Optional) Register your library and order the plaque for it at https://littlefreelibrary.myshopify.com/products/silver-aluminum-charter-sign? variant=17506180993
- *Paint and decorate your box- TAKE PHOTOS!
- *Make bookmarkers for it
- *Find donation books and canned foods for your boxes
- *HAVF FUN!!!!

We have a head start of books and canned goods for the library at the office if you need it!

















Library Updates!

Congratulations to Saddle Mountain and the 4-H Ambassadors for completing their libraries! They will now be putting their libraries up in their locations and shelving them with books!

If your club hasn't received a library yet to decorate, email breton.homewood@montana.edu to let Bret know your club is ready for their library.

Saddle Mountain's Library!









Ambassador Library!



February 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31	1 Special Awards Meeting 6PM	2 4-H Council	3	4 Cloverbud Meeting 6PM	5	6
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14	15	16	17	18 All About 4-H! 6PM	19	20 Pendleton Class
21	22	23	24	25 Fairboard Meeting 6pm	26	27
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